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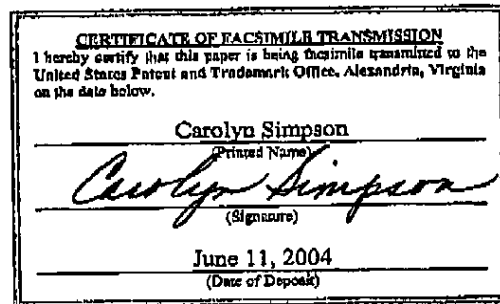
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Clark et al.  
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☒ The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

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